MMR_0031 Theodore W. Davis

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM MMR AWARD

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Ted began his model railroading in tinplate with Lionel equipment. Shortly after his marriage he was converted to HO by a fellow tradesman where he workes. This led to the sale of all of his Lionel and turning to scale HO operations.

Since joining NMRA, Ted has been quite active in the organization. He has served on the National Contest Committee, the Electrical Standards Committee, as a Contest Judge, and as National AP Vice-Chairman. He is currently serving as MWR Achievement Program Chairman. In this capacity he has established and is maintaining a very active program in that Region.

His personal interest in the AP has earned him the following Achievement Certificates prior to Master Model Railroader — Cars, Motive Power, Scenery, Railroad Engineer—Civil, Railroad Engineer,—Electrical, Chief Dispatcher, Association Volunteer, and Model Railroad Author.

Ted is a native HOOSIER, 33 years old, married, and has four children, only one a son to carry on in fine railroad tradition.

The Delco Remy Division of General Motors is Ted's occupational area when not occupied in model railroading. For the first fourteen he worked as an Electrician. He is now involved in building Electronic Test Equipment for GM Products. With this background, you will find that his HO layout is heavy on the Electronics/Electrical side.

His layout is basically a point-to-point operation. One man operations are quite limited, since it has been designed and built as a five man operation. Motive power is primarily of the older diesels. The current roster includes 70 powered locomotives. And, only one is steam. Nineteen of the powered engines are scratch-built.

Primary reason for joining NMRA was his interest in the Model Contests and the Achievement Program. Participating in an active manner in both of these facets of our hobby has led to the attainment of the Master Model Railroader Certificate. Ted feels that Model Contests have been extremely helpful to him and can be to others. They can show what quality workmanship is and raise personal standards in all areas of the hobby.